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The Honorable Board of Directors
County of Los Angeles
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SECRETARY

Dear Directors:

APPROVE THE REALLOCATION OF PER PARCEL DISCRETIONARY FUNDS FOR THREE PROJECTS FOR THE CITY OF WEST COVINA (FIRST DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will reallocate a total of \$101,000.62 in Per Parcel Discretionary Funds allocated to the City of West Covina pursuant to the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996 for the Palm View Park Play and Fitness Equipment Project, the Del Norte Park Splash Pad Project, and Del Norte Park Dog Park Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that the three proposed projects are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act because the projects involve replacement of existing structures, new construction of small structures and minor alterations to land for the reasons cited herein and the reasons reflected in the record of the Project
2. Approve the reallocation of the residual grant funds \$28,671.37 in Per Parcel Discretionary Funds allocated to the City of West Covina pursuant to Section (8), Subsection (b), Paragraph (1) pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1992 from its completed Walmerado Park Improvements Project to its Palm View Park Play and Fitness Equipment Project and its Del Norte Park Splash Pad Project, in the amounts of \$20,000 and \$8,671.37, respectively.
3. Approve the reallocation of residual grant funds \$12,329.25 in Per Parcel Discretionary Funds allocated to the City of West Covina pursuant to Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph (1) pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 from its completed

Walmerado Park Improvements Project to its Del Norte Park Splash Pad Project.

4. Approve the reallocation of \$60,000 in Per Parcel Discretionary Funds allocated to the City of West Covina pursuant to Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph (1) pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 from its completed Security Lighting Improvements Project to its Del Norte Park Dog Park Project.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will reallocate a total of \$101,000.62 in Per Parcel Discretionary Funds allocated to the City of West Covina (City) pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1992 and 1996 (the 1992 and 1996 Propositions) to three new projects proposed by the City.

\$41,000.62 of the \$101,000.62 in grant funds is the residual balance from the City's completed Walmerado Park Improvements Project. Of this residual balance, \$28,671.37 was initially allocated to the City pursuant to Section (8), Subsection (b), Paragraph (1) of the 1992 Proposition and \$12,329.25 was allocated to the City pursuant to Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph (1) of the 1996 Proposition. The residual \$41,000.62 will partially fund the Palm View Park Play and Fitness Equipment and Del Norte Park Splash Pad projects as described herein.

In addition, the remaining \$60,000 recommended for reallocation is from the City's completed Security Lighting Improvements Project, which was funded using other funding sources. Therefore, the City requests the cancellation of the \$60,000 Prop A grant awarded to the Security Lighting Improvements Project and requests that the \$60,000 in grant funds be reallocated to fund the Del Norte Park Dog Park Project as described herein.

PALM VIEW PARK PLAY AND FITNESS EQUIPMENT PROJECT

The proposed project consists of purchase and installation of play and fitness equipment at the Palm View Park. The total cost of the proposed project is \$495,000. In addition to the recommended reallocation of \$20,000 in Per Parcel Discretionary Funds, the City will utilize \$475,000 in Community Development Block Grant to complete the project.

DEL NORTE PARK SPLASH PAD PROJECT

The proposed project includes purchase and installation of a splash pad and upgrades the electrical system at Del Norte Park. The total cost of the proposed project is \$451,000.62. In addition to the recommended reallocation of \$21,000.62 in Per Parcel Discretionary Funds, the City will utilize \$380,000 in Community Block Grant funding and \$50,000 from sponsorship to complete the project.

DEL NORTE PARK DOG PARK PROJECT

The proposed project includes site preparation, relocation of lighting, and purchase and installation of chain-link fencing and gates; construction of concrete sidewalk; installation of benches, tables, and canine drinking fountain; and planting of shade trees. The estimated total cost of the proposed project is \$60,000 and will be fully funded by the recommended reallocation of Per Parcel Discretionary Funds.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions will further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goal of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3), by providing enhanced recreational opportunities in the City of West Covina in the First Supervisorial Districts.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient appropriation for the three grants, in the amount of \$101,000.62, is budgeted in the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District's Assessment Project Fund (HB4) under Other Charges.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1992 Proposition set forth deadlines for agencies to encumber funds allocated to them. Per Parcel funds identified in Section (8), Subsection (b), Paragraph (1) of the 1992 Proposition are subject to reallocation by your Board under the provisions of Section (9), Subsection (e) of the 1992 Proposition. Agencies eligible for these funds were required to encumber their funds by June 30, 1996. Beginning with Fiscal Year 1996-97, any Per Parcel funds not committed to expenditure are available for award by your Board for one or more of the classes of expenditures specified in Section (8) of the 1992 Proposition for projects that your Board deems to be of the highest priority.

The 1996 Proposition also set forth various deadlines for agencies to encumber funds allocated to them. Per Parcel Discretionary Funds identified in Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph (1) of the 1996 Proposition are subject to reallocation by your Board under the provisions of Section (5), Subsection (d) of the 1996 Proposition. Agencies eligible for these funds were required to encumber their funds by June 30, 2001. Beginning with Fiscal Year 2001-02, any Per Parcel Discretionary Funds not committed to expenditure are available for your Board to award for projects that your Board deems to be of the highest priority and fit within one or more of the classes of expenditures specified in Section (3) of the 1996 Proposition.

If your Board denies these requests, the City may either expend the funds for the uses originally specified, request your Board's approval to fund different new projects with the funds, or relinquish claim to these grant funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

All public agency projects funded by the District are required to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as a condition of the grant. The lead agency is responsible for preparing the appropriate environmental documentation for the project. The City of West Covina serves as lead agency for the three projects.

The Palm View Park Play and Fitness Equipment Project is categorically exempt from CEQA according to Section 15303 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Class 3 of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, adopted by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on November 17, 1987, because the project involves new construction of small structures.

The Del Norte Park Splash Pad Project is categorically exempt from CEQA according to Sections 15302 and 15303 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 2 and 3 of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, adopted by the Los Angeles County Board of

Supervisors on November 17, 1987, because the project involves replacement of an existing utility system and new construction of small structures.

The Del Norte Park Dog Park Project is categorically exempt from CEQA according to Sections 15303 and 15304 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 3 and 4 of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, adopted by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on November 17, 1987, because the project involves new construction of small structures and minor alterations to land.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Grant Project Agreements will be entered into and administered under authority delegated to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation and pursuant to the Procedural Guide approved by the Board in 2009 only if all applicable conditions of the grants have been met. The Project Agreements will be approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

These actions will have no impact on any other projects funded by the District but are required so that the City of West Covina may proceed with the three projects, if all applicable conditions of the grants are met.

CONCLUSION

Please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return one adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects/Debt Management Division, and one to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,



RUSS GUINEY

Director

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- c: Chief Executive Office
- County Counsel
- Executive Office, Board of Supervisors